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Amendments to the claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

1-55. (canceled)

- 56. (currently +amended) An assay for <u>detecting the presence</u>
 of bcl-6 in a tumor suspected of being a determining the likelihood that a tumor suspected of being a Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma is a Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma comprising:
 - (a) contacting a sample of the tumor with an antibody that binds to a polypeptide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2; and
 - (b) determining whether the antibody binds to the tumor sample, thereby determining whether the polypeptide is present in the tumor sample, the presence of the polypeptide indicating that it is likely that the tumor is a Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma bcl-6 is present in the tumor.